



Headteacher's Comment:

It has been a great week. The school is full of children who are pleased to be back with their teachers and friends. There has been lots of learning going from 8:30am every day and we are already working on getting the children back to where they should be academically. Attendance this week has been fantastic and it was very nearly 100% every day. I'm hopeful next week it will be.

It is worth me reminding you about a number of things that a very small minority of parents seem to have forgotten.

- Children need to be in by 8:45am every day. The number of lates on Monday was zero. It wasn't for the rest of the week. I appreciate some things can't be helped (e.g. fallen trees or accidents on the way to school), but oversleeping or leaving late is not good enough.
- The parking along Larchwood Gardens needs to improve. Please don't park on the pavement on the school side; it is dangerous and prevents social distancing. We are patrolling this more at the moment and you will be asked to move. The council will also be back I'm sure, however, parents need to act responsibly – this is one of our school values.
- Now we are back in school, if you want to contact the class teacher, please do so via the office email or phone. Teachers will not be responding to emails via Teams or on the class email. These will only be used if we have to move back to remote learning at any point.
- Children need to be wearing school shoes, not black trainers. There are a few parents who have spoken to us about this, but if you are not one of them, please make sure that your child is in proper black shoes.

Now for something funny (maybe!) It is Comic Relief next Friday. We have not been able to sell red noses this year, but we still want to do our bit to raise money for this good cause. So, on Friday 19th March children can wear their own clothes and pay £1 on the day to do so. It is not fancy dress, just normal home clothes please. If children have a red nose, (or other Comic Relief items that can be worn), then they can wear them.

To add to the theme, we will be running a joke competition – 'Laugh with Larchwood'. As some of you are aware I'm a big fan of a classic 'dad joke'. In my celebration assembly today, I have asked children to come up with their best joke so we can choose the best joke for each class and the school.

Children today will come home with a piece of paper that they can put their funniest joke on. These need to be returned to the class teachers by Tuesday 16th March.



The teachers, with the help of the class, will select the funniest joke and these will be entered into the final with the top 3 jokes being decided using the 'Larchwood Laughometer'. Winners will be announced on Friday 19th. There will be a prize for the children who bring in the top 3 funniest jokes. It goes without saying that they need to be appropriate and the more original the better.

Finally, from next week Pabulum, our caterers, will be providing every child in the school with a random act of kindness now we are back in school. I won't say what, but I'm assured it will be tasty.

Have a great weekend and stay safe.



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Liam W in 6PA – for demonstrating the value responsibility.



Stars of the Week

RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A
John	Vania	Holly	Indie	Harley	Ruby	Lara
3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA	
Blake	Esther	Rosie	Emmanuel	Sydney	Belle	



Reading at Home

Checking reading numbers started on Tuesday so the maximum number of times that children could read this week was 4. Back to normal next week.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages from Monday 8th March to Friday 12th March (percentages are rounded) Times Read						Percentage Read 4 times %
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
RS	0(0%)	0(0%)	1(3%)	6(20%)	23 (77%)		77%
RT	1(3%)	3(10%)	1(3%)	5(17%)	20(67%)		67%
1P	0(0%)	0(0%)	1(3%)	6(20%)	23(77%)		94%
1PR	1(3%)	0(0%)	2(7%)	6(20%)	21(70%)		70%
2B	1 (3%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	2 (9%)	25(91%)		91%
2G	0(0%)	1(3%)	2(7%)	10(33%)	17(57%)		57%
3A	2(7%)	0(0%)	1(3%)	4(14%)	22(76%)		76%
3B	0(0%)	0(0%)	3(10%)	5(17%)	22(73%)		73%
4D	0(0%)	1(3%)	0(0%)	5(18%)	23(79%)		79%
4K	0(0%)	0(0%)	1(3%)	4(13%)	25(84%)		84%
5R	0(0%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	0(0%)	28(100%)		100%
5S	0(0%)	0(0%)	1(4%)	7(24%)	21(72%)		72%
6PA	0(0%)	0(0%)	1(3%)	1(3%)	29(94%)		94%
Total							80%



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Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 8th March 2020

Class	RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A	Whole school
Attendance	100%	99.3%	99.3%	99.3%	98.4%	100%	97.3%	
Class	3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA		99.1%
Attendance	99.3%	99.7%	99.7%	97.9%	98.0%	100%		

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
RS, 2G & 6PA	4D & 4K	RT, 1P, 1PR & 3B



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 4th September 2020

Class	RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A	Whole school
Attendance	98.3%	98.6%	98.7%	96.7%	93.0%	98.3%	97.4%	
Class	3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA		97.0%
Attendance	96.3%	96.6%	94.6%	96.8%	95.8%	96.1%		

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1P	RT	RS & 2G



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